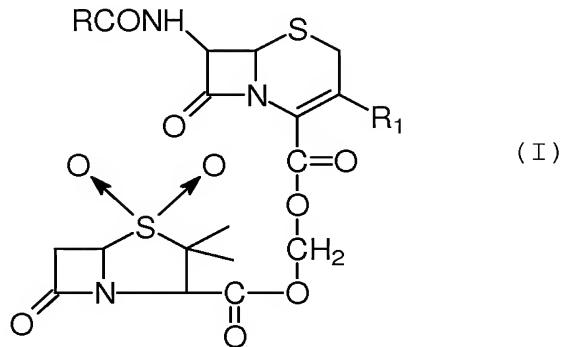


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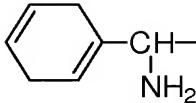
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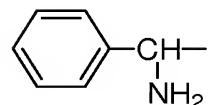
Claim 16 (Previously presented): A β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound and salts thereof represented by formula (I) as follows:

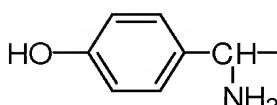


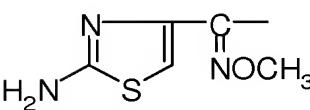
wherein,



when R is  , R₁ is —CH₃ (YR-3)

when R is  , R₁ is —CH₃ (YR-4)

when R is  , R₁ is —CH₃ (YR-5)

or, when R is  , R₁ is —Cl (YR-6).

Claim 17 (Previously presented): A pharmaceutical salt of the β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound according to claim 16.

Claim 18 (Previously presented): The pharmaceutical salt of the β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound according to claim 17, wherein the pharmaceutical salt is an inorganic salt or an organic acid salt.

Claim 19 (Previously presented): The pharmaceutical salt of the β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound according to claim 18, wherein the inorganic salt or organic acid salt is at least one of a hydrochloride, a sulphate, a *p*-toluenesulfonate, a tartrate, a maleate

and a lactate.

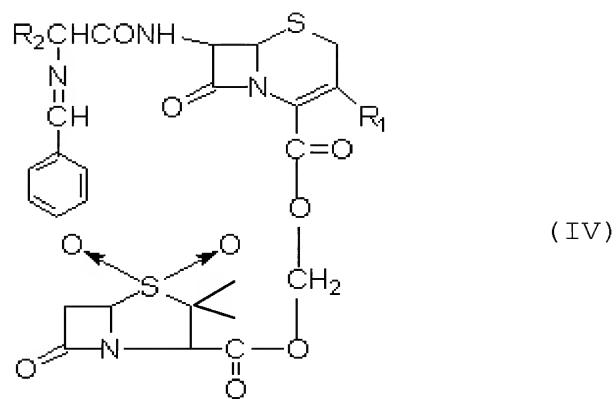
Claim 20 (Previously presented): A method for treating infection, comprising:
administering orally to a patient in need of treatment, an effective amount of a composition comprising the β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound according to claim 16 as an effective ingredient.

Claim 21 (Previously presented): A composition, comprising:
the β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound according to claim 16; and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

Claim 22 (Previously presented): A method for treating infection, comprising:
administering orally to a patient in need of treatment, an effective amount of a composition comprising the pharmaceutical salt according to claim 17 as an effective ingredient.

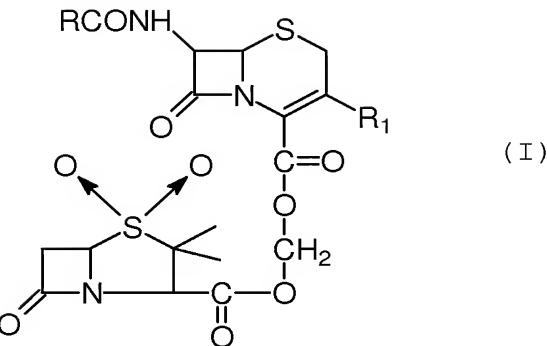
Claim 23 (Previously presented): A composition, comprising:
the pharmaceutical salt according to claim 17; and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

Claim 24 (Previously presented): A intermediate compound represented by formula (IV) as follows:

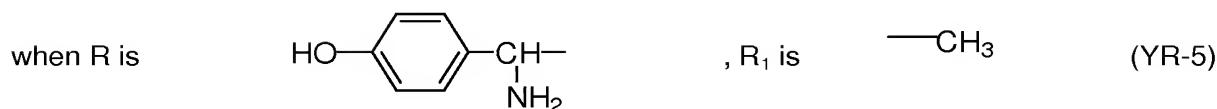


wherein, $R_1=CH_3$ or Cl ; $R_2=$  ,  or  .

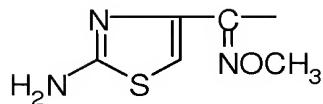
Claim 25 (Previously presented): A pharmaceutical salt of a β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound in which the a β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound is represented by formula (I) as follows:



wherein,



or, when R is



, R₁ is

—Cl

(YR-
6), and

wherein the pharmaceutical salt is an inorganic salt or an organic acid salt of the β -lactamase resistant cephalosporin ester compound represented by formula (I) and is at least one of a hydrochloride, a sulphate, a *p*-toluenesulfonate, a tartrate, a maleate and a lactate.

Claim 26 (Previously presented): A method for treating infection, comprising:

administering orally to a patient in need of treatment, an effective amount of an antibiotic composition comprising the pharmaceutical salt according to claim 25 as an effective ingredient.

Claim 27 (Previously presented): An antibiotic composition, comprising:

the pharmaceutical salt according to claim 25; and
an incipient suitable for oral administration.